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Applicant: Yutaka NOMURA, et al.

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed September 13, 2000, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE:

Please delete the previously submitted abstract and substitute the abstract attached hereto.

IN THE CLAIMS:

In claim 22, after structural formula 1, line 5, before "an" (second occurrence) insert --or--.

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